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We verily believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled "EXHAUST VIBRATION DECOUPLING CONNECTOR", the original specification of which was filed on 11/26/2002 with application serial number 10/307,124, as amended, and as further amended by the continuation-in-part application.

We hereby state that we reviewed and understand the contents of the aboveidentified specification, including the claims as amended by any amendment referred to above, that we do not know and do not believe that same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we am aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 *C.F.R.* §1.56(a), including material information which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national filing date of the continuation-in-part application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate of this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by myself or our legal representatives or assigns except as follows: NONE

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